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Dr. Hassan Saab has been named as the new Deputy Director of the Department of Public Service in Westland.

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Inkster officer faces charges in arrest

William Melendez, the Inkster officer seen on a patrol-car videotape severely beating a suspect during a traffic stop, has been charged with misconduct in office, mistreatment of a prisoner and assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

The charges carry a maximum five-year and a 10-year prison sentence respectively. Melendez, 46, was also fired by Inkster City Manager Richard Marsh, Jr. on April 15, following the completion of the investigation into the incident by the Michigan State Police and a departmental investigation ordered by Inkster Police Chief Vicki Yost. Melendez was officially fired by Inkster after a five-day suspension according to his union representative, Teamsters Local 214 Business Representative Al Lewis. He was also fired from his part-time detective position in Highland Park, officials said.

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The incident achieved statewide publicity and went viral on the internet after Gregory Rohl, the attorney for Floyd Dent, the 57-year-old Detroit man beaten during the Jan. 28 traffic stop, released the videotape in defense of his client who was arrested on drug charges. Rohl said at the time that further videotape from the patrol car showed Melendez planting drugs in Dent's car. That claim was apparently validated by the state police investigation which resulted in the decision by Worthy to dismiss the remaining possession of cocaine charges against Dent. The charges of assault and resisting arrest were dismissed against Dent at his initial arraignment in 22nd District Court before Judge Sabrina Johnson after the videotape was shown. Dent has no criminal record.

Dent was admitted to a local hospital following the arrest and processing at his Inkster Police Station. He was hospitalized for two days for treatment of his injuries which included a broken eye socket. The videotape shows Melendez pulling Dent from his vehicle executing and maintaining a choke hold on him while continuing to strike him in the head. Dent used his right arm in an apparent attempt to shield himself from Melendez' blows, preventing a

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County commission appoints Barone to seat

Plymouth attorney Joe Barone has been appointed to the Wayne County Commission to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Shannon Price, who resigned from the commission to accept the appointment as Plymouth Township supervisor.

The commission accepted Price's resignation and subsequently appointed Barone at its April 16 meeting. Barone will represent the 10th Commission District, which includes Canton Township, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Price, R-Plymouth Township, was appointed as the new supervisor on April 2, replacing Richard Reaume, who opted to retire. Price began his second two-year term on the Wayne County Commission on Jan. 1. The term runs through Dec. 31, 2016.

> *I would like to offer my thanks to Commissioner Price for his outstanding public service while serving on the commission...*

"It's a bittersweet moment for me," Price said in his resignation letter, which became effective April 10. "I enjoyed working with every single one of you on the commission, but I have a tremendous opportunity in front of me.

"You have a tremendous task ahead of you, but you know that," he continued. "I have great stories about getting things done here."

Price supported the appointment of Barone as his replacement. The Wayne County Charter says the commission shall fill a vacancy by appointing someone who is a registered voter from the district and of the same political party as the departing commissioner.

Barone, 43, has been an attorney with Barone Law Offices PLC in Plymouth since 1997. He is the managing partner and is a member of the state bars of Michigan and Illinois. He has extensive experience in several areas of law and served as the Northville Township interim prosecuting attorney. In 2008, he narrowly lost in a race for judge in the Plymouth-based 35th District Court.

"I would like to offer my thanks to Commissioner Price for his outstanding public service while serving on the commission and my expression of congratulations and well wishes for his continued success in his new role as Plymouth Township supervisor," Barone

Joe Barone

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Wayne council still divided on ward voting

Members of the Wayne City Council were again divided on the issue of city-wide voting for each council seat despite voter approval of election by precincts.

A resolution calling for at-large or city-wide voting for each council seat was again stymied by a tie vote during the council meeting recently.

Voters approved two charter amendments last November, one establishing term limits for elected offices in the city and the other requiring city council members be elected from wards or precincts. While ballot language was specific that the mayor was subject to city-wide voting, the ballot did not spell out the requirement that the candidate from each ward be elected by voters only from that ward.

> *The intent of the petitions and the vote was very clear.*

Ron Roberts, who initiated the ballot initiatives, made it clear to the members of the council during a meeting last month and again last week, that the petition language was clear on this point and only the ballot language was less specific. He cautioned the council members he believes are attempting to circumvent the intent of the changes that they are violating the will of the voters.

"The intent of the petitions and the vote was very clear," Roberts said, and he urged the council members to follow the specific language of the original petitions.

"There is no doubt of the intent. Do we have a council up there that is going to break the law and go against the oath they took?" Roberts said. "The law was passed by the majority of voters. There was no ambiguity. The attorney general approved this; they don't have a dog in this fight."

His opinion was seconded by community-activist Chris Sanders who said it was clear what people voted on.

"It seems to some people like the ballot question language was purposely vague," Sanders said. "The intent of this change was very clear."

Without a clear specification in the local governmental charter, at-large voting is the accepted norm throughout the state, according to the office of the

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Canton water rates to increase by 8.6 percent

Water rates in Canton Township will increase by 8.6 percent following approval of the new rate by members of the board of trustees last week.

The new rate could increase typical homeowners' quarterly bills from $358 to $389 based on use of about 32,000 a quarter. That is an additional $31 quarterly or $124 annually for each household in the township.

In a plan to offset the expense, township officials have been negotiating a purchase of a water storage tank from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department which is one of two located in the township. The tank, located near Joy and Morton Taylor, would allow the township to store water and ease the usage from Detroit during peak morning and evening hours.

> *Talks with Detroit have been under way since last year.*

At the meeting last week, Supervisor Phil LaJoy said that talks regarding the purchase of the tank are continuing and that he is hopeful some agreement could be reached this summer.

LaJoy told the board members that the two sides are close to reaching an agreement. The purchase would be a cost-efficient alternative to the township installing a new storage tank or water tower, which could be a significant financial burden. LaJoy said he was hopeful that the township could save "a lot of money" with the purchase of an existing tank from Detroit.

Talks with Detroit have been under way since last year. Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Director Sue McCormick discussed the issue

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Inkster - Romulus

Romulus 'Clean Sweep' set for Saturday May 9

A project Mayor LeRoy D. Burcroff began 16 years ago in Romulus has continued to grow.

When Burcroff was serving on the city council in 1999, he initiated Clean Sweep Day in the city in an effort to involve the community in an effort to encourage residents to take pride and ownership in their city.

"The thought was if we get residents out to clean up their parks and neighborhoods on one day, they might be more likely to keep an eye on it throughout the year, and grow a sense of responsibility for the area," Burcroff said.

This year, the event will take place on Saturday, May 9 and will be co-sponsored by Waste Management, the city trash hauler.

Volunteers are asked to gather at the Romulus Senior Center, 36525 Bibbins, at the corner of Shook at 10 a.m. Individuals, couples, friends/families, churches, block clubs, school groups and other organizations are encouraged to support and participate. There will be tasks suitable for all ages and abilities, according to a city spokesperson.

The day will begin with light refreshments while gloves, garbage bags and other supplies are distributed. Volunteers may choose which areas of the city they wish to clean or they may be assigned a section, she said.

Volunteers of all ages are welcome and encouraged to participate and need only show up.

For more information, or to pre-register for a specific area or neighborhood, call (734) 955-4502.

Another city beautification project is planned for 1 p.m. May 13 at Historical Park when Plant Downtown will take place. For more information or to volunteer for this event, call (734) 955-4533.

Annual bowling tournament will benefit animal shelter

The 11th annual Nine-Pin No-Tap Bowling Tournament to support the Romulus Animal Shelter is scheduled for Friday, May 8, at Romulus Lanes, 37452 Huron River Road.

Admission is $25. The outing is limited to 72 bowlers.

The night includes handicap doubles and singles events, women's and men's mystery games, snacks, cash prizes and a 50/50 raffle.

Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with bowling starting at 7:30.

To reserve a spot or get more information, call Romulus Lanes at (734) 941-6200, Councilman William Wadsworth at (734) 941-0616 or Joe Ozog at (734) 941-3466.

The night is dedicated to the memory of Frank Ayers, an ardent supporter of the Romulus Animal Shelter.

The shelter, located at 12300 Wayne Road, provides temporary housing for dogs and cats. The facility operates mainly on donations and volunteerism. All money raised goes directly to the shelter.

Library offers foreclosure help

Foreclosure Prevention Counseling will take place at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library from 5-7:30 p.m. Monday, April 27.

Volunteer Counselors from the United Community Housing Coalition will be at the library to explain new programs offered by the Wayne County treasurer. Some have an application deadline of May 12.

For more information, call attorney Isaac Robinson at (313)739-5093 or email isaacrobinson313@gmail.com.

Those attending should bring a copy of their deed, land contract, or probate order and a copy of state identification or driver's license.

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster.

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second officer from handcuffing Dent's arms behind his back. Dent struggled against having his arm restrained and Melendez continued to pound his head with his fist. The three continue to struggle on the ground as a third officer arrives on the scene and violently kicks Dent. Then a fourth officer Tasers Dent in the thigh and stomach as he is being handcuffed.

Dent, according to official police reports, ran a stop sign in the area of South River Park Drive and Inkster Drive at about 10 p.m. He allegedly did not immediately respond as the officers attempted to make a traffic stop but drove another four blocks. When Dent did pull over, he opened his car door as officers approached his 2011 Cadillac with guns drawn. Police reports indicate that Dent made a verbal threat against the officers as he opened the car door, prompting their defensive actions, an allegation Dent and Rohl strongly deny. Police said in their report that Dent was in a "known drug trafficking area."

In a prepared statement, Worthy said the Michigan State Police began an investigation into the incident on March 23. The results of that investigation were submitted to the prosecutor's office where a separate and independent investigation was conducted. Worthy said that investigation included the review of police and televised video footage, along with witness statements, police documents, radio and dispatch recordings, photographs of Dent's injuries, statements made by Dent and interviews of officers who responded to the scene where Dent was arrested.

"Public confidence in the law enforcement is eroded when police officers abuse citizens. This devalues greatly the work that the majority of police officers in this country perform daily," Worthy said.

"The alleged police brutality in this case cannot and will not be tolerated."

Melendez is also listed as the CEO of Strategic Security, a private security and firearms training company. Prior to being hired in Inkster, Melendez was a Detroit Police Officer where he was involved in as many as 12 prior lawsuits alleging civil rights violations and police brutality. He is accused in a federal lawsuit, along with six other officers, of choking and beating a man unconscious, then detaining him for three days before releasing him. No criminal charges were ever filed against the plaintiff in the case who claims that when police barged into an Inkster home in July of 2011, he was in the bathroom. He says in the suit that he complied with the officers' orders, dropped to the floor and was subsequently subjected to a violent beating by officers on the scene, including Melendez.

Melendez is also accused in a lawsuit filed by surviving family members of invading a home without a warrant in November of 2003 and fatally shooting a man. That suit was settled by the City of Detroit for $50,000. Melendez was indicted along with 16 fellow Detroit police officers in 2003 stemming from claims they planted evidence, falsified reports and stole cash and property from suspects. A jury acquitted the officers in that case.

Melendez was arraigned on the felony charges Tuesday at the 22nd District Court.

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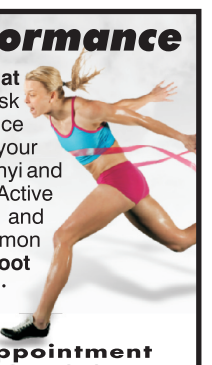

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings –April 14, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Williams, Sneideman (Arrived at 7:05 pm), Yack Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz Director Faas, Director Mutchler, Director Trumbull, Kristen Thomas, Kathleen Rich Staff Absent: Kristin Kolb **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Minutes of March 24, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the Study Session Meeting Minutes of April 7, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** None David Wilson-Care Transition Manager for Senior Alliance gave a presentation to the board summarizing the TSA Services. The Senior Alliance, Area Agency on Aging 1-C, has several programs and services available to our area seniors including but not limited to: Transportation, Housing Options, Chore Providers List, Nutrition Programs, Legal Assistance, Long Term Care Concerns, Caregiver Support, Elder Abuse Services, Medicare/Medicaid Assistance, Home Healthcare Services, Health Promotion Programs, and more. He thanked the township for its contribution last year of $6,109 to the TSA. **Payment of Bills** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Consider Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances for the TDM/Canton Township Rezoning (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to remove from the table consideration of an amendment to Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances for TDM/Canton Township Rezoning. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to adopt the ordinance to amend the zoning map pursuant to Section 27.06 of Appendix A-Zoning of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton for the TDM/Canton Township Rezoning. The adopted date is today, April 14, 2015, publication date is April 23, 2015, and effective date is April 30, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. **STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDINANCE NO. ___ AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 8.00 OF APPENDIX A - ZONING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN WHICH AMENDS THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES ON THE ZONING MAP THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: PART I. ARTICLE 8.00 – ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND MAP * * * Pursuant to Section 27.06 of Appendix A-Zoning, the zoning map is hereby amended by changing the zoning on parcel no. 076-99-0001-702 from RA, Rural Agriculture to R-3, Single-Family Residential District as shown on the attached zoning map. PART II. Severability.** Should any section, subdivision, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated. **PART III. Savings Clause.** The amendment of the Canton Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance does not affect or impair any act done, offense committed, or right accruing, accrued, or acquired, or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment, pending or incurred prior to the amendment of the Canton Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance. TDM/Canton Twp. Rezoning File No. 076-RZ-2439 **PART IV. Repealer.** All other Ordinances or part of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent to give this Ordinance full force and effect. **PART V. Publication.** The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause the ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. **Part VI. Effective Date.** A public hearing having been held hereon pursuant to the provisions of Section 103 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of 2006, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be published within fifteen (15) days of its adoption of publications of a notice in a newspaper circulated in Canton Township stating the date of enactment and effective date, a brief statement as to its regulatory effect and that a complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the Township Clerk during the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Local Time. The provision of this Ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after its publication. **CERTIFICATION** The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 14 day of April 2015, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. Terry Bennett, Clerk Introduced: March 24, 2015 Adopted: April 14, 2015 Published: April 23, 2015 Effective: April 30, 2015 Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. **Item C-2. Consider Purchase of Manhole Encapsulation System from HD Supply Waterworks for Sanitary Sewer Structures (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the purchase order in the amount of $18,836.36 from Account #592-537.930_0050 to HD Supply Waterworks to purchase the manhole encapsulation system for placement around the sanitary sewer structures that are part of the 2015 Sidewalk Repair program. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-3. Consider Approving the Purchase of 20,000 Feet of Type K Copper Tubing, 400 Mueller Curb Stops, and 400 Mueller Corporation Stops from the Etna Supply Company (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to award a contract for the purchase of 20,000 feet of Type K copper tubing, 400 Mueller curb stops, and 400 Mueller Corporation stops from the Etna Supply Company of Grand Rapids for an amount not to exceed $107,976. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-4. Consider Waiving the Purchasing Policy and Approve Emergency Repairs to Police Patrol Car #1309. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to waive the purchasing policy and authorize payment of $7,726.18 to CDE Collision Center, at 4985 Belleville Road, Canton Township for emergency repairs to patrol car #1309. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-5. Consider Waiving the Purchasing Policy and Approve Emergency Repairs to the 2014 Pierce Fire Engine E2 (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to waive the purchasing policy and approve payment to Roberts Paint & Body, 610 East Industrial, Chelsea MI, 48118 in an amount not-to-exceed $10,000 for emergency repairs to Fire Engine E2 and authorize the Supervisor to sign contracts. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-6. Consider Approval of Contracts with Thirteen Homeowner Associations to Provide Matching Funds for the Wayne County Township Roads Initiative (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the contracts with the thirteen selected Home Owners Associations for the Wayne County Township Residential Road Initiative. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-7. Consider Approval to Adopt the Patriot Park Master Plan (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to adopt the Patriot Park Master Plan. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-8. Consider Bid Award for 2015 Bus Transportation (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to award the 2015 Bus Transportation Services to Trinity Transportation, 4624 13th Street, Wyandotte, Michigan, in the amount of $18,117 from the following accounts: 101-691-61.801_0050 for $7,411.50 and 101-691-63.860 for $10,705.50. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-9. Consider Approval to Purchase Plant Protectant and Fertilizer (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the purchase of Fertilizer 30-0-12 Polyon 41 and Fertilizer 30-0-12 Polyon 42 to Harrell's LLC, 53410 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165. Funds to be taken from: Parks Maintenance 101-270-50.930_0070 in the amount of $15,200 Pheasant Run Golf Club Maintenance and Repair of Grounds. 584-756-57.930_0070 in the amount of $19,370 Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the purchase of BannerMaxx and Cleary's equivalent to Tri-Turf, 24800 N. Industrial Dr., Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Funds to be taken from: Pheasant Run Golf Club Maintenance and Repair of Grounds. 584-756-57.930_0070 in the amount of $10,524 Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-10. Consider Authorization of a Waiver to the Parks and Recreation Ordinance for the Sale and Consumption of Alcohol at Liberty Fest (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the 24th Annual Liberty Festival on June 18-20, 2015, and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Canton Rotary, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on June 18-20, 2015 during Liberty Festival at Heritage Park located at 1010 Canton Center Rd, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne. Motion carried unanimously. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Award Proposal for Legal Publications. (Clerk)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to award of contract for the Charter Township of Canton's legal publications to the Associated Newspaper at $4.00 per column inch for a period of four years beginning May 1, 2015. The contract will have two one year contract extensions, contingent upon a lack of violations of the contract (account No. 101-200.900_0010 Printing and Publishing Legals). Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-2. Consider Approval of a Real Estate Purchase Agreement for Vacant Property on Proctor Road. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the real estate purchase agreement for roughly 5.5 acres of vacant property with Livonia Builders/TDM Holdings, LLC. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-3. Consider Adoption of the Recommendations from Municipal Services and Finance and Budget on the 2015 Water and Sewer Rates. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the 2015 water and sewer rate study. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-4. Consider First Reading of Code of Ordinance Amendments to Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "Utilities", Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II Entitled "Schedule of Rates and Charges", Section 74-83. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to introduce and table for consideration the first reading of the Code of Ordinance amendments to Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "UTILITIES", Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II entitled "SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES", Section74-83. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to table for the second reading of the Code of Ordinance amendments to Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "UTILITIES", Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II entitled "SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES", Section74-83 on April 28, 2015. Motion carried by all members present Copies of the complete text of this ordinance are available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. **Item G-5. Consider Approval of the Final Site Plan for Links Estates Condominiums. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Final Site Plan for Links Estates Condominiums. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **Final Site Plan for Links Estates Condominiums WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor, Mr. Enrico Soave, has requested final site plan approval for Links Estates Condominiums to be located on Lotz Road between Palmer and Michigan Avenue, identified as tax EDP # 098-99-0002-707 and 098-99-0002- 708; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site final plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Enrico Soave, to approve the site plan for the proposed Links Estates Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. **Item G-6. Consider Award of a Contract to Stante B&V Construction to Perform a Required Water Main Lowering Along Beck Road. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the contract with Stante B&V Construction for the lowering of the water main at Beck Road and to create a purchase order in the amount not-to-exceed $70,120.20. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-7. Consider Request to Purchase Ammunition. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the purchase of 17 cases of ammunition in the amount of $6,963.79, from Kiesler's Police Supply, Inc., 2802 Sable Mill Road, Jefferson, Indiana, utilizing funds budgeted in the 2015 Police Operating Supplies account. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-8. Consider Approving Diversity Training Services from Pacific Educational Group. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the purchase of professional diversity training from Pacific Educational Group, 795 Folson Street, San Francisco, CA, in the amount of $22,400. I further move to approve the following budget amendment to the 2015 Police Budget: Increase Revenues: 2015 Police Fund Balance Appropriation: #207-000.695 $22,400. Increase Expenditures: 2015 Police Training & Education #207-301-50.820.0001 $22,400. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-9. Consider Approving the Purchase of (8) Patrol Laptops. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of eight Dell Latitude laptops from Dell, Inc., in the amount of $18,040.37. I further move to approve the following 2015 Police budget amendment: Increase Revenues: 2015 Police Fund Balance Appropriation: #207-000.695 $18,040.37. Increase Expenditures: 2015 Police Capital Outlay Computers: #207-301-50.970.0010 $18,040.37. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-10. Consider Approving the Purchase of LiveScan Upgrade Equipment. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the purchase of upgrade equipment for two LiveScan machines totaling $15,971.48 to CLEMIS. I further move to approve the following 2015 Police budget amendment: Increase Revenues: Police Fund Balance Appropriation: #207-000.695 $15,971.48. Increase Expenditures: Capital Outlay Computers: #207-301-50.970.0040 $15,971.48. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-11. Consider Approving the Purchase of Additional Card Access Control Panel. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the purchase of a new security card access panel from Interstate Security, Inc., in the amount of $10,240. I further move to approve the following 2015 Police budget amendment: Increase Revenues: 2015 Police Fund Balance Appropriation (from drug forfeiture): #207-000.695 $10,240. Increase Appropriations: 2015 Police Program Expenses Drug Forfeiture: #207-301-50.743.0003 $10,240. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-12. Consider Annual Service and Maintenance to Outdoor Warning Siren System. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve West Shore Services, Inc., 6620 Lake Michigan Drive, PO Box 188, Allendale, MI 49401, to perform the annual maintenance and testing of Canton's Outdoor Warning Siren System in the amount of $5,600. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-13. Consider Approval of Emergency Purchase of Variable Frequency Drive for the Summit Pump House. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the purchase and installation of ABB model ACS500 VFD at the Summit Pump House for Pheasant Run Golf Course irrigation from Pro Pump & Controls, 6810 Enterprise Drive, Delta, OH 43515. Funds to be paid in the amount of $8,971 from Account # 584-756-57.930_0070, Pheasant Run Golf Club Maintenance & Repair of Grounds. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-14. Consider Approval of Purchase Orders for Emergency Power Outage Repairs. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve Purchase Orders for the following companies for emergency power restoration at the Summit and Pheasant Run Clubhouse: - Van Buren Electric Company, 141N. Mill St, Plymouth MI in the amount of $4,670.00 - Michigan CAT, 25000 Novi Road, Novi MI in the amount of $8,621.00 - Power Plus Engineering, Inc., 46575 Magellan Dr., Novi MI in the amount of $17,191.40 with funds to be taken from Account # 101-270-50-930_0070 Maintenance and Repair Grounds. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Bennett asked as this was an emergency repair, would this expense would qualify for a MERS grant or be covered by MMRMA. Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz agreed to investigate this and get back to the board **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz that the Commission for Culture, Arts, & Heritage is celebrating Canton Acts of Culture Week from April 24 – May 3, 2015 with various cultural offerings throughout the Canton Community. Also, Canton Leisure Services is gearing up for its 24th Annual Canton Liberty Fest - Canton's long-standing summer tradition offering plenty of family fun from June 18 – 20, 2015. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. _____ **Terry G. Bennett, Clerk**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. Publish: April 23, 2015 EC042315-1119 2.5 x 17.614

CANTON - NORTHVILLE

Month-long Canton Book Project now under way

Eight book lovers will be handing out copies of one of their favorite books this month as part of the Canton Public Library Canton Book Project.

The library celebrated the inaugural project with a reception last week honoring the book givers who are now supplied with 100 books to give away.

The eight chosen books, submitted by readers ranging in age from 14 to 70, have been selected as a way to share a love of reading with the Canton community. The book titles, and their selectors, include:

"Brown Girl Dreaming" by Jacqueline Woodson, selected by Amanda Davies and Plymouth High School American Literature students.

The Crossover" by Kwame Alexander, selected by Beth Shaum

"Easter Ann Peters: Operation Cool" by Jody Lamb, selected by Sarah Perry

"H.I.V.E.: The Higher Institute of Villainous Education" by Mark Walden, selected by Ryen O'Meara

"Natchez Burning" by Greg Iles, selected by Joan Noricks

"The Orphan Train" by Christine Kline, selected by Connie Slazinski

"Slathbog's Gold" by M. L. Foreman, selected by Zarin Loosli

"Speak" by Laurie Halse Anderson, selected by Montgomery Jones.

A special guest at the reception was State Librarian Randy Riley and trustees of the Canton Public Library.

The Canton Book Project creates a community of readers by distributing well-loved books to others in the community, organizers said. It's a chance for book lovers to share their love of reading by giving out their favorite books to a recipient who, for whatever reason, doesn't read for pleasure or own books.

That gift is the spark that inspires the recipient to keep reading, creating an engaged, informed community, she added.

The Canton Public Library was identified by citizens as the best-loved facility in Canton. It averages 4,000 patron visits daily and circulates more than 1.6 million items annually.

School millage renewal information is available

Voters can find more information regarding the millage at the district website.

Information about the millage request of the Northville Public Schools set for the May 5 ballot is now available from the Northville Educational Foundation.

Voters in the Northville Public Schools District will be asked to consider renewing the Building Site and Sinking Fund millage originally approved in 2011 and used to make much-needed repairs across the 10 district school buildings and other facilities.

According to the Northville Educational Foundation, which has not taken any stand on the issue, the 0.9978-mill request is a renewal and would not result in a tax increase for school district homeowners.

Priority projects over the next five-year period fall into the categories of Safety and Security, Improving Classroom Learning, Improving Energy Efficiency and Reducing Costs, and Keeping Buildings Operational. If approved, the 0.9978-mill Building and Site Sinking Fund will help preserve general fund dollars to accomplish the core mission of instruction and student learning; enable students to learn in a safe, secure and healthy environment; protect the community investment in the school buildings and facilities; maintain appropriate learning facilities that enable the district and community to keep and attract residents and keep Northville taxpayer dollars in Northville.

A prepared release from the foundation suggested voters can find more information regarding the millage at the district website, including a more detailed overview, answers to frequently asked questions, a list of anticipated projects, along with ballot and voter information.

Questions and comments may also be sent to nps@northvilleschools.org according to the news release.

Jane Austen Tea served

The Northville Historical Society will host a Jane Austen Tea from 1-3:30 p.m. May 9 at the Cady Inn in Northville. The tea will feature a talk about Jane Austen by novelist Annick Hivert-Carthew.

Austen framed her imaginative and romantic stories around the events of her own family. She captured and portrayed her youth in England, showing her readers a portion of 18th Century England that is a credit to honorable behavior, gentleness, courtesy, manners, and respect for others.

Austen wrote six novels at a time when women were not considered worthy of being published, so initially none of them bore her name. At age 35 she produced her best known works, such as Pride and Prejudice and Sense and Sensibility, with the author identified merely as "A Lady." Both are literary classics and none of Austen's books have ever been out of print.

Hivert-Carthew will discuss the life and works of Austen. Born and educated in France, Hivert-Carthew currently lives in Michigan. She first became known for her work on Antoine de Lamothe Cadillac, founder of Detroit. She wrote "Cadillac and the Dawn of Detroit" in 1994, then went on to write five more books.

The tea is a fund raiser for the Northville Historical Society, and will be catered by Victoria's Tea Salon.

Tickets are limited and are priced at $35 or $30 for Northville Historical Society members. Tickets are non-refundable but can be applied to a future tea.

For more information, call (248) 348-1845 for more information or visit www.millracenorthville.org.

Water

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with township officials during a visit last year and she seemed amenable to the plan, officials said. The benefit to the Detroit department is a cost savings in having Canton manage water usage in the township.

Detroit levied a 21-percent water and sewer rate increase on the township this year. To offset those increased costs, township officials used $2.5 million from the local water-sewer fund, allowing the increase to homeowners at the lower 8.6 percent rate. LaJoy added that the township was able to help offset the costs by "good basic financial management."

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon a two week notice to the Charter Township of Canton. These services include signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

Gwyn Belcher, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 7, 2015 for the following:

TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS FOR FREEDOM AND GRIFFIN PARK

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
May 14, 2015

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.
Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Craig Engel, Vicki Welty, Alan Okon **Alternate:** Gregory Demopoulos
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes: April 9, 2015 Minutes
General Calendar:

1. Will Johnson, Applicant and Representative for Canton Fields Hotel, Inc. for property at 5700 Haggerty, Canton, MI 48187 located on the East side of Haggerty between Ford Road and Greenwood, appealing Section 6A.06 Non-conforming Signs and 6A.15 Ground Signs. Parcel 047-99-0007-001 (Building).

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting on the following Proposal(s):

PROPOSAL 15-1

A proposal to amend the State Constitution to increase the sales/use tax from 6% to 7% to replace and supplement reduced revenue to the School Aid Fund and local units of government caused by the elimination of the sales/use tax on gasoline and diesel fuel for vehicles operating on public roads, and to give effect to laws that provide additional money for roads and other transportation purposes by increasing the gas tax and vehicle registration fees.

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- ☐ Eliminate sales / use taxes on gasoline / diesel fuel for vehicles on public roads.
- ☐ Increase portion of use tax dedicated to School Aid Fund (SAF).
- ☐ Expand use of SAF to community colleges and career / technical education, and prohibit use for 4-year colleges / universities.
- ☐ Give effect to laws, including those that:
  - Increase sales / use tax to 7%, as authorized by constitutional amendment.
  - Increase gasoline / diesel fuel tax and adjust annually for inflation, increase vehicle registration fees, and dedicate revenue for roads and other transportation purposes.
  - Expand competitive bidding and warranties for road projects.
  - Increase earned income tax credit.

Should this proposal be adopted?

_____Yes _____No

Millage Proposal
Building and Site Sinking Fund Tax Levy

Shall Van Buren Public Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, create a sinking fund for the purpose of construction or repair of school buildings and the improvement and development of sites and for any other purpose which may be authorized by law, and be authorized to levy not to exceed 1.13 mills ($1.13 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of seven (7) years, 2016 to 2022 inclusive. The levy would renew the sinking fund levy previously authorized by the voters in 2008 for an additional seven (7) years. It is estimated that the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2016 calendar year shall be approximately $1,715,961 for the local taxes authorized in this proposal. A portion of the revenue collected may be subject to capture by the Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority.

_____Yes _____No

Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the Canton Township Clerks Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton MI, 48188, 734/394-5120.

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964
Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of March 1, 2015 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

WAYNE COUNTY
Wayne County, Michigan
Township of Canton

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	November 2, 2010	0.25 mills	2015
Wayne County	November 6, 2008	1.25 mills	2020
Comm. College	November 6, 2012	1 mill	2022
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	August 5, 2014	18 mills	2024 (non-homestead only)
Van Buren Township	November, 2011	18 mills	2016 (non-homestead only)
School District	November, 2008	1.13 mills	2015
Wayne-Westland	May, 2010	18 mills	2025 (non-homestead only)
Community Schools	February, 2012	1 mill	2022

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

Listed below are the polling locations for the Tuesday, May 5, 2015 Special Election, which will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting:

Precinct No.	Name of Facility	Address
1 & 23	Discovery Middle School	45083 Hanford Rd
3, 10, 21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Rd
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Rd
5 & 31	Crescent Academy	40440 Palmer Rd
6 & 32	Life Church	7001 N. Haggerty Rd
7 & 8	Salem High School	46181 Joy Rd
9 & 34	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N. Haggerty Rd
11 & 19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Rd
12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet St
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S. Sheldon Rd
18 & 29	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Rd
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Rd
24 & 25	Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center Rd
26, 27, 36	Summit on the Park	46000 Summit Parkway
30	Mettetal Airport	8550 N. Lilley Rd
37	Dodson Elementary School	205 N. Beck Rd
35	Canton Human Services Center	50430 School House Rd
38	Historic Cherry Hill School	50440 Cherry Hill Rd
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N. Beck Rd
41 & 42	Workman Elementary School	250 N. Denton Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2015 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, May 4, 2015, those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office no later than 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day, May 5, 2015.

To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120 prior to Election Day. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card, check the Clerk's voting page on Canton's Website at www.canton-mi.org/clerk/voting.aspx, or call the Clerk's office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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Wayne - Westland

New deputy director of public service named

Dr. Hassan Saab has been named as the new Deputy Director of the Department of Public Service in Westland.

Mayor William Wild announced Saab's hiring last month, noting that Saab is a professional civil engineer who holds a PhD in structural engineering with more than 20 years experience in the field.

Most recently, Wild said, Saab was employed with the Wayne County Department of Public Services and the Environment.

Wild said that Saab's experience is extensive including the areas of environmental facilities management, parks and recreation, land resource and water quality management and roads.

"With Hassan's considerable experience in civil engineering and his knowledge of the processes by which road and other engineering projects are funded and approved, the city will benefit as it works to address the community's aging infrastructure," Wild said.

In addition to his PhD, Saab earned a master's degree in Civil Engineering, is a published author and during his tenure with Wayne County was involved in a comprehensive reorganization of the public services department, including updating position classifications and improving service delivery processes. The reorganization included development of information technology systems for improving upon data collection and online monitoring of work flows, Wild said.

Saab will be acting as the engineer in charge of assessing city infrastructure and overseeing major road projects, bridges, water and sewer and storm water management. He will also be responsible for maintenance functions related to streets, public rights of way and public facilities. Some of these operations include snow and ice control, street repair and sweeping, street signs, lights and landscape maintenance.

"He will also be the technical adviser to our consultants overseeing all engineering work, such as design, bidding and inspections of all infrastructure improvement projects, to ensure compliance with city, state and federal requirements," Wild said.

"I am excited about joining Mayor Wild's dynamic team and look forward to applying my expertise to help with all of the great progress and projects under way in Westland," Saab said.

Dr. Hassan Saab

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attorney general.

City attorney Keith Madden disagreed with Roberts and Sanders, however. He said that his discussion with the office of the attorney general did not solve the issue. He told the council members and the audience that the issue must be resolved by action of the city council with an amendment clarifying the voting procedures. Madden also said that clarifying the language on the ballot and the petitions was not the responsibility of the city but fell to Roberts.

> *People are looking for leaders who make doors and windows, not walls.*

Councilman Anthony Miller agreed with Roberts and Sanders and said the proposal to implement city-wide voting for the council precincts violated the will of the people.

"The citizens are yearning for a change; I'm asking my colleagues to reconsider," Miller said. "People are looking for leaders who make doors and windows, not walls. This doesn't increase the confidence level. The council needs to do what the will of the people was."

The council resolution came following a recommendation from a committee which included Roberts, council members Skip Monit and John Rhaesa and residents Buddy Shuh and Margaret Harlow. Shuh said that without this resolution, he would only be allowed to vote for one member of the city council rather than all six officials.

Councilman Al Damitio suggested for the second time that the council put the issue before voters, rather than make an arbitrary decision. No action was taken on his suggestion, and Damitio joined Monit and Rhaesa in voting for the resolution allowing city-wide voting for all council seats.

Councilwoman Susan Rowe, Miller and David James cast no votes. Mayor James Hawley, who voted against the amendment at the previous vote, was absent from the meeting. Rowe suggested a second committee, without participation from sitting council members, be named to review the issue.

No action was taken on her suggestion.

Annual St. Mary's auction set

Making the most of an educational experience, bidders at the fourth annual St. Mary Parish and school auction can "learn" to be a television reporter or radio personality.

All it takes is the highest bid on those items which will be among those up for auction during the May 2 event at the church, 34516 Michigan Ave. in Wayne.

Included in the evening is a buffet dinner catered by The Avenue American Bistro which will be served at 6 p.m. prior to the auction. Doors will open at 5:30.

The live and silent auctions will include original classroom projects, spa packages, tuition packages, a visit to the Drury Inn, a $2,000 orthodontics gift card from Awesome Dental Care, a summer 2015 pool party and four Walt Disney World Florida park Hopper passes.

The items expected to draw the most interest are a shadow day with Ruth Spencer of Channel 4 News and a studio visit with Blaine and Allyson in the Morning at 96.3 radio.

Bidders must be 21 or older.

Tickets for the event are $45. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (734) 721-1240 or email auction@stmarywayne.org.

Award nominations are sought

Nominations for the City of Wayne Recreation Advisory Board James J. Poplin Distinguished Service Award are now being accepted.

This award is presented to an individual who has been an outstanding recreational supporter in the community. To qualify for this award, the candidate must have a minimum of five years of voluntary service in the Parks and Recreation area. Nomination forms are available at the Wayne Community Center, Wayne City Hall, Wayne Public Library and on the city website, under recreation.

Nominations should include the name of the nominator and the person being nominated along with a brief and accurate description of the individual's achievements in recreation.

Nominations can be mailed to Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, Wayne, MI, 48184.

The award will be made at a meeting of the city council later this year.

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40. Business Opportunity
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100. Will Share
101. Wanted to Rent
102. Storage
103. Business Property for Sale
104. Farms & Acreage for Sale
105. Mobile Homes for Sale
106. Houses for Sale
107. Condos/Townhouses for Sale
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120. Motorcycles
121. Autos Wanted

30. Help Wanted

Operations Assistant - Must be comfortable with computers/software and talking with customers over the phone. Call Mosquito One at 734-922-5700 or e-mail Sales@MosquitoOne.com. Salary based on experience. Seasonal position, could lead to permanent. Downtown Belleville location.

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54. Rummage Sales

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April 30 9–5p.m.
May 1 9–4
May 2 9–11
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59. Auctions

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WEDNESDAY.
APRIL 29, 2015
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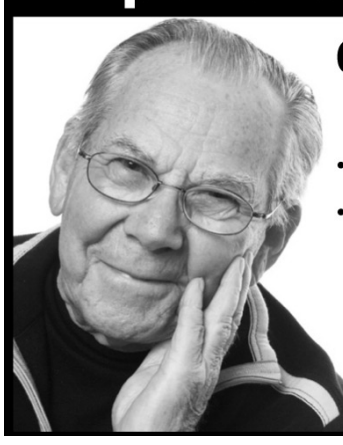

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Builder to replace faulty concrete at pavilion

New Plymouth Township Supervisor Shannon Price has responded quickly to the concerns of some residents with property bordering McClumpha Park.

The neighboring property owners, many with several years construction experience, expressed concern regarding the quality of material and workmanship at the all-weather pavilion currently being constructed in the park.

The residents questioned the concrete foundation installed by the second-lowest bidder on the project, Acme Enterprises of Roseville. The pavilion project was a hotly-contested issue prompting severe criticism and unfavorable citizen comment during meetings of the board of trustees prior to approval by the trustees. Citizens questioned and protested the expense of the pavilion which is part of a $1.5 million recreation plan approved by the township board.

Last week, observers discovered that the interior floor of the main plaza of the pavilion had been demolished and large broken concrete slabs stacked at the edge of the structure. They say a glycol generator system with strips of tubing that has been covered with tarpaulins has been placed inside to heat the exposed soil. Residents surmised that the cement was poured this winter when frost covered the ground. The cold temperature created an adverse factor, they said, requiring the breaking up and re-pouring of the concrete. Neighbors speculated that the reason for the inadvisable installation during cold weather may have been an effort to expedite the completion of the structure in time for the July 4 Township Picnic.

Price said in a telephone interview last week, that there was a serious problem with the floor in the $750,000 plus structure.

Price said he appreciated the citizens' concern and blamed the failure on the general contractor who he claimed, "cut corners." Price claimed the floor was poured last fall rather than in the winter and the builder changed the specifications of the concrete thickness from 4 inches to 2 inches and immediately covered it with plastic wrap. He said the contractor is re-pouring the floor to meet the original specifications at no additional cost to the township.

"Little League is starting soon and we have to make the area safe," said Price. "We don't always do a good job of informing people." Price said he expects the pavilion construction will be complete by mid May.

Architect-designer firm D.S. Wright and Associates of Plymouth requested bids for construction in July 2014. The planned structure grew from a basic picnic pavilion to a sprawling facility, increasing costs by 750 percent since the project was originally approved by members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees. When complete, it will be a 4,500 square foot, one-story structure with a walk-out basement. It will include restrooms, a warming center and a kitchen area with a sink and refrigerator. The $21,820 snow making cannon that is to be installed near the structure arrived in the township last week. Industrial electric and plumbing capacity installations are required to operate the snow machines.

Township Treasurer Ron Edwards is acting as construction manager and was the originator of the project.

Play baseball with former Tigers...at a price

Play ball…if you can afford it.

Members of the public can take their chances against former members of the Detroit Tigers baseball team beginning at noon May 16 at Belleville High School, for a price.

The charity softball game is a benefit for the Van Buren Civic Fund and Van Buren Public Schools Education Foundation. Pre-game activities will begin at 11 a.m. and the game is slated to start at noon. Former Detroit Tigers already confirmed to play are Rick Leach (1981-83), Dave Rozema (1977-84), Gary Ignasiak (1973), Scott Lusader (1987-90), and Tom Matchick (1967-69).

The home team will be made up of players who make a tax-deductible donation of $250 to the Van Buren Civic Fund. For more information, call (734) 751-2046 or email vanburencivicfund@gmail.com .

The purpose of the Civic Fund is to assist in reducing the burden upon the Van Buren Township government through financial support for services and capital improvements which benefit the citizens of the township, according to a prepared release.

Making it official

New township firefighters Doug Pickert, Ean Culver and Chris Smith are sworn-in by Plymouth Township Clerk Nancy Conzelman at a recent township board meeting while Fire Chief Dan Phillips looks on. The three full-time firefighters graduated after completing departmental training and serving for the required one-year probationary period. Photo by Don Howard

'Queen' candidates sought

Young Belleville-area women interested in vying for the title of Belleville Strawberry Queen have until April 30 to enter the pageant.

Organizers of the event are seeking 12 young women to vie for the title, a $1,000 scholarship, a trophy and gifts. Second and third runners-up will each receive a $500 scholarship and gifts.

Contestants must be residents of the Belleville area, single and between the ages of 16 and 20. As part of the pageant, each entrant will perform in a dance production that includes the entire roster of hopefuls, perform their individual talent, model evening wear and answer questions posed to them onstage by the emcee for the evening.

The pageant is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. June 19 in the Belleville High School auditorium.

Organizers said the first 12 qualified applicants will be accepted.

Applications should be mailed to Joyce Rochowiak, 43250 Tyler Road in Belleville, 48111. Entrants must include a recent photo.

Barone

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said. "I would also like to thank Commission Chairman Gary Woronchak and all of the commissioners for the confidence they have placed in me to serve the citizens of Canton, Plymouth and Wayne County as a whole. I look forward to working with each of my new colleagues in the days ahead to serve each of our Wayne County communities to the very best of our abilities."

Barone, the father of daughters Olivia, 12, and Isabelle, 9, earned a bachelor's degree in materials and logistics management from Michigan State University in 1993, a juris doctor from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in 1996 and a master of laws in taxation from the Wayne State University Law School in 2004.

He is a board member for the Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee and was a board member for the Plymouth Township Downtown Development and Brownfield Redevelopment authorities. He served on the Canton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and was its 2013 Business Person of the Year, and also is active in the Plymouth and Northville chambers of commerce.

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Calendar of events

Volunteers needed

Plymouth Community United Way needs volunteers to clean yards in Plymouth, and Plymouth and Canton townships on Saturday, April 25 during its Rake~N~Go. The event helps senior citizens and developmentally disabled adults.

Volunteers are asked to bring rakes, garden tools, hedge trimmers, leaf blowers, and gloves. PCUW will supply the yard waste bags.

To volunteer, call (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org. Plymouth Community United Way organizes two raking events a year: Make a Difference Day in fall and Rake~N~Go in spring. Last November, more than 300 volunteers cleaned 67 yards of senior citizens and people with disabilities.

Maybury Farm now open

Anxious to get outside and enjoy this beautiful weather? After a long winter Maybury Farm is a great place to go to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and fresh air.

Visitors can meet the animals at the working farm. The animals are on site and used to visitors of all ages. There is also a picnic area available and a concession stand.

Maybury Farm is open from 10 a,n, until 2 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, weather permitting. Admission to the Farm is $2.50 per person and children younger than 3 are admitted at no cost.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. It is 1-1/4 mile west of Beck Road on Eight Mile, 1/2 mile west of Maybury State Park. Parking is available and free.

Art contest under way

State Sen. David Knezek is sponsoring an Art contest for students in grades K-8 for the springtime in Michigan Art Contest. Winners in every grade will have their artwork on display in Lansing and be invited to join Knezek for a day at the Capitol.

The deadline for entries is May 10. Artwork should be submitted to Sen. David Knezek, Attn: 2015 Art Contest, P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, Mi 48909.

Workshop deadline nears

Reservations for the Entrepreneurial Operating System workshop sponsored by the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce, Wayne County Community College District and the Romulus Public Library will be accepted until April 24 at (734) 955-4516.

The workshop will feature Duane Marshall who will guide the audience in crating a framework for running a business during a workshop from 12:20-2:30 p.m. June 12 at the Wayne County Community College Western Campus, 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

The event includes registration and box lunch pick up beginning at 12:30. The presentation will begin at 1 p.m.

All who attend will receive a copy of Traction: Get a Grip on Your Business by Gino Wickman.

Church hosts bingo

St. Aloysius Church will host 50/50 Bingo games from 1-7 p.m. April 25.

The event is planned to help fund the annual church picnic.

There will be cash prizes on all bingos and paper and hard cards available. Refreshments will be available.

The games will take place in the church activity center, 37200 Neville St. in Romulus.

Spring Clean Up set

The annual City of Plymouth Spring Clean Up will take place on Saturday, April 25 in all areas of the city. This is a single-day event for the entire City of Plymouth.

Residents should have item at the curb for pick up by 7 a.m. Officials said that items should not be placed at the curb more than 24 hours prior to pick up.

Additional information regarding the Spring Clean Up day can be found on the City of Plymouth website:

http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/index.aspx?nid=1069]

Spring Clean Up day is for large items and bagged/canned trash only.

Automated trash carts, automated recycling carts and compost/yard waste will not be picked up at this time. Questions about Spring Clean Up should be directed to (734) 453-7737.

Annual Diva Day planned

Ladies are invited to attend the 7th Annual Diva Day from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, April 25 throughout downtown Plymouth. The first 500 Divas will get free hot pink beads. Come and do some spring shopping and get pampered. Little Divas and Diva Dogs are also welcome.

Downtown Plymouth boutiques, salons and restaurants will present special offers, unique refreshments, and chances to win Diva Day prizes.

Participating shops include: Basket Kreations, Bella Mia, Bella Mia Dressed Up, Birch Wood, Bohemian Home, Creatopia Pottery Studio, Dearborn Jewelers, Genuine Toy Co., Gigi's Mode, Highlites Salon, Home Sweet Home, Kilwins, Little Black Heart, Lolaryan, Magnolia, Merle Norman, Michigan Management, Old World Olive Co., Peace Pedalers, R.S.V.P., Salon Awesome, Spa Agio, Sun & Snow and TranquiliTea.

The event is free to attend. Look for the balloons. For more information call (734) 453-1540 or visit www.plymouthmich.org/events.

Chorus presents concert

The Belleville Community Chorus will present a concert, Hooray for Hollywood, beginning at 7 p.m. April 25 at Belleville United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St. in Belleville.

Performing with the chorus will be the ensemble and the children's chorus.

The performance will be directed by Susan Hiser and Joe Labuta will be the accompanist.

Money is story time topic

The Leanna Hicks Public Library will present Money Smart Kids Read, a story time and activities event for children 7 and younger at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 25.

The program is free and each family will receive a free copy of the Berenstain Bears' Dollar and Sense book, the featured story of the day.

The event is sponsored by the Michigan Credit Union League as part of Money Smart Week in Michigan.

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster.

Free child ID program set

The Romulus Public Library will host representatives from the New York Life insurance company who will help make free identification badges for children during Family Story Time beginning at 6:30 p.m. April 28.

There will also be a special guest from the Romulus Police Department who will help teach children the importance of safety.

The event is free but pre-registration is requested as space is limited.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

For more information or registration, call (734) 942-7589.

Workers' compensation is topic

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Westland Chamber of Commerce and the Wayne County Community College District Western Campus are sponsoring a Workers' Compensation and Liability Workshop from noon until 2 p.m. April 28. Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m.

The event will take place at the college, 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

The speaker will be Al Nelson, a specialist in workers' compensation, health care regulation, international law and labor and employment law.

Lunch will be provided and the workshop is free to chamber members.

To register, call (734) 697-7151 or (734) 326-7222.

Spring Fling planned

The Belleville Area Women's Club will present the 2015 Spring Fling Fashion Show beginning with cocktails at 6 p.m. April 29 at the BYC clubhouse, 831 E. Huron River Dr. in Belleville.

Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the fashion show will start at 8 p.m.

Tickets to the event are $32 and available from Kathie Steigerwald, (313) 570-6115 or Becky Thornell (734) 231-7326 or any club member.

Proceed from the show will benefit the community and education fund of the Belleville Area Women's Club.

Facing Giants discussed

A teen program Facing My Giants will be presented at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library from 4-6 p.m. April 29.

Topics included will be fears, communication, conflict resolution, decision making, responsibility, self-esteem, life challenges and peer pressure. There will be free games and snacks, prizes and giveaways for those ages 12-19.

The activities will be presented and supervised by Angela Tabb, executive director of The Healing Harvest, Inc. a non-profit organization.

The free event will take place at the library, located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster. For information, call (313) 563-2822.

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